Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for others, and each of these attributes can be ascribed to Craig Bobzien; and,

Whereas, A native of Iowa Falls, Iowa, Craig graduated from Colorado State University in 1978 with a degree in Forest Management Science; and,

Whereas, Craig's career in the United States Forest Service began in 1978 on the Beaverhead National Forest in Southwestern Montana and later served on National Forests in Montana, Idaho, and Washington, and Craig acquired a wide range of experience working in Silviculture, watershed, land uses, minerals management, timber, range, recreation, and wilderness management; and,

Whereas, Craig has held numerous leadership positions throughout his distinguished career serving as a District Ranger on the Bitterroot National Forest in Montana, District Ranger on the Okanogan National Forest in Washington, Deputy Forest Supervisor on the Idaho Panhandle National Forest, safety officer on the Northern Rockies Incident Management Team, acting Director of Fire and Aviation Management for the Northern Region, acting Deputy Regional Forester for the Rocky Mountain Region, acting Director of Forest Management for the United States Forest Service in Washington, DC, and Forest Supervisor on the Black Hills National Forest since 2005; and,

Whereas, Craig has devoted over 38 years of service to the United States Forest Service by ensuring the Nation's forests and grasslands meet the needs of present and future generations, and on April 30, 2016, Craig is retiring; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan on the occasion of his retirement:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 30, 2016, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his colleagues, friends, and family as they recognize Craig for his commitment to a successful career and extend best wishes for a healthy and happy retirement.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State